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| 17 | V. | (1) COMPEL PRODUCTION OF | | | | | | |
| 18 | | DOCUMENTS; (2) COMPEL DEPOSITION | | | | | | |
| 19 | U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, a national banking | TESTIMONY; AND | | | | | | |
| 20 | association, not in its individual capacity, but solely in its capacity as Indenture | (3) FOR ADDITIONAL TIME TO COMPLETE DEPOSITION | | | | | | |
| 21 | Trustee in behalf of all Holders of Finisar Corporation's 51/4% Convertible | (Declaration of L. Rex Sears and Motion for | | | | | | |
| 22 | Subordinated Notes due 2008, 2½% | Sanctions filed herewith) | | | | | | |
| 23 | Convertible Senior Subordinated Notes due 2010, and 21/2% Convertible Subordinated | Date: Tuesday, June 17, 2008 | | | | | | |
| 24 | Notes due 2010; and DOES 1 through 10, inclusive, | Time: 10:00 a.m. Courtroom: 5 (Magistrate Judge Trumbull) | | | | | | |
| 25 26 | Defendants | District Judge: Hon. Jeremy Fogel Magistrate Judge: Hon. Patricia V. Trumbull | | | | | | |
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NOTICE OF MOTION

TO DEFENDANT U.S. BANK TRUST NATIONAL ASSOCATION AND TO ITS ATTORNEYS OF RECORD IN THE ABOVE-CAPTIONED ACTION:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that, on **Tuesday, June 17, 2008, at 10:00 a.m.**, or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, in Courtroom 5 of the above-entitled Court (the Honorable Patricia V. Trumbull, United States Magistrate Judge, presiding) located at 280 South First Street, San Jose, California, plaintiff Finisar Corporation ("Finisar") shall—and hereby does—move the Court to enter an order:

- (1) Compelling defendant U.S. Bank Trust National Association ("U.S. Bank") to produce documents withheld from production based on assertion of a joint-defense privilege protecting communications between U.S. Bank and its counsel, on the one hand, and individuals and entities alleged to hold convertible notes (the "Noteholders") issued under the contractual trust indentures at issue in the above-captioned action (the "Action"), on the other;
- (2) Compelling U.S. Bank to provide additional deposition testimony by Diana L. Jacobs, its Vice President and designee pursuant to Federal Rules of Civil Procedure 30(b)(6), relating to communications with Noteholders; and
- (3) Enlarging the time for Finisar to complete the deposition of Ms. Jacobs beyond the seven hours ordinarily permitted.

In the concurrently-filed "Plaintiff Finisar Corporation's Motion for Monetary Discovery Sanctions" (the Motion for Sanctions"), Finisar is also seeking monetary sanctions, consisting of compensation for the expense of preparing and prosecuting the instant motion (the "Motion to Compel") and of completing Ms. Jacobs' deposition.

Finisar's instant Motion to Compel is and shall be made pursuant to Rules 26(b)(2)(A), 30(d)(2), and 37(a)(3)(B); and on the grounds that U.S. Bank's communications with Noteholders are not privileged. The undersigned counsel for Finisar certifies that he and his colleague have

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¹ Subsequent "Rule" references are to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, unless otherwise indicated.

conferred, in person and in writing, with counsel for U.S. Bank, regarding the issues addressed by this Motion to Compel. The conference process has resulted in negotiated resolution of several other deficiencies, but the parties have reached impasse with respect to the assertion of privilege targeted by this Motion to Compel.

Finisar's Motion to Compel is and shall be based upon this Notice, the Points and Authorities set forth below, the accompanying "Declaration of L. Rex Sears in Support of Finisar Corporation's Motion to Compel and for Sanctions" ("Sears Decl."), the pleadings, documents, and other records on file in the above-captioned action (the "Action"), and such additional evidence and argument as may be presented in connection with the hearing and determination of the Motion to Compel.

POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

Finisar respectfully offers the following points and authorities in support of its Motion to Compel.

I. INTRODUCTION

Finisar and U.S. Bank are parties to a series of three trust indentures ("Indentures") under which Finisar issued three series of convertible notes ("Notes"). Late in 2006, Finisar informed the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") and U.S. Bank that it had commenced an internal investigation, which might necessitate deferral of Finisar's filing of certain periodic reports with the SEC and thus, perforce, with U.S. Bank. U.S. Bank alleged that Finisar had thereby defaulted under the Indentures, leading Finisar to commence this Action seeking a declaration that it had not. Since the Action was commenced, three federal courts addressing similar allegations between different parties to similarly-worded contracts have issued rulings adopting Finisar's position, while none has adopted U.S. Bank's²; and Finisar has filed *all* of its periodic reports.

The discovery Finisar has been denied bears on at least two disputed issues, one of which is already the subject of a pending motion for summary judgment by U.S. Bank. First, U.S. Bank

² Before this Action was commenced, one state court had issued an unpublished decision to the contrary, but each of the federal courts to have subsequently addressed the issue have disagreed with that court's holdings and expressly rejected its reasoning.

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maintains and has moved for summary judgment that Finisar is obligated to pay attorney's fees incurred by U.S. Bank, regardless of who prevails on the underlying issues. Second, U.S. Bank has sued Finisar for unspecified damages allegedly suffered by the Noteholders. In addition to disputing both claims on purely legal grounds, Finisar also disputes the first because U.S. Bank has incurred fees negligently or in bad faith, and the second because from the discovery Finisar has obtained it appears that none of the Noteholders has apprised U.S. Bank of any compensable injury. (See Sears Decl., Ex. "B," 180:3-20.) To further substantiate both arguments, Finisar requires discovery of communications between U.S. Bank and the Noteholders, in whose behalf U.S. Bank claims to have acted.

U.S. Bank has frustrated Finisar's efforts to conduct deposition and document discovery reasonably calculated to lead to the discovery of admissible evidence relevant at least to U.S. Bank's claims for fees and damages by asserting that its communications with the Noteholders are subject to some sort of joint defense privilege. Because the conditions for asserting such a privilege are not here met, U.S. Bank's invocation of the joint defense privilege has been improper and unjustified. Still, U.S. Bank has refused to budge on this issue. Thus, Finisar brings this Motion to Compel.

By way of relief, Finisar seeks production of documents and deposition testimony hitherto withheld based on the errant assertion of privilege. Because much of its time with U.S. Bank's deponent was spent trying to overcome U.S. Bank's incorrect assertion of privilege and obtain the withheld testimony, Finisar also seeks enlargement of the seven-hour period ordinarily permitted to conduct a deposition. In its companion Motion for Sanctions, Finisar seeks an order requiring U.S. Bank to reimburse it for the expense of preparing and prosecuting this Motion to Compel, and to pay the attorney's fees and other costs that will be associated with resuming the deposition to obtain the improperly denied discovery.

II. BACKGROUND

On March 26, 2008, Finisar deposed Diana L. Jacobs, Vice President of U.S. Bank National Association, both as an individual and in her capacity as U.S. Bank's designee pursuant to Rule 30(b)(6), in accordance with the deposition notice reproduced as Exhibit "A" to the

inter alia as U.S. Bank's designee regarding communications with Noteholders. But during her deposition, she was instructed by U.S. Bank's counsel not to answer Finisar's questions relating thereto, based on U.S. Bank's invocation of a "joint defense privilege" for communications between U.S. Bank and the Noteholders. The questions and answers at issue in the instant Motion to Compel are set forth in Schedule "A" hereto.³

accompanying Sears Declaration. As reflected in the Rule 30(b)(6) notice, Ms. Jacobs appeared

In addition to refusing to provide certain deposition testimony, U.S. Bank has also withheld from production certain documents transmitted by or to the Noteholders. By this Motion to Compel, Finisar also seeks production of the documents identified in the entries from U.S. Bank's March 25, 2008 privilege log that are reproduced in Schedule "B" hereto.

III. LEGAL PRINCIPLES

A. Principles Relating to Privilege in General

"The fact that a person is a lawyer does not make all communications with that person privileged." *United States v. Martin*, 278 F.3d 988, 999 (9th Cir. 2002). To the contrary, "[b]ecause it impedes full and free discovery of the truth, the attorney-client privilege is strictly construed." *Weil v. Investment/Indicators, Research & Mgmt., Inc.*, 647 F.2d 18, 24 (9th Cir. 1981). "The burden is on the party asserting the privilege to establish all the elements of the privilege." *Martin*, 278 F.3d at 999-1000.

B. Origins and Overview of "Joint Defense" Privilege

"In its original form," the joint-defense privilege "allowed the attorneys of criminal codefendants to share confidential information about defense strategies without waiving the privilege as against third parties." *In re Teleglobe Comms. Corp.*, 493 F.3d 345, 364 (3d Cir. 2007).

Later, courts replaced the joint-defense privilege, which only applied to criminal co-defendants, with a broader one that protects all communications shared within a proper "community of interest," whether the context be criminal or civil. Thus, the community-of-interest privilege allows attorneys representing different clients

³ The Schedule sets forth in full the questions asked, the objections made, and the response (if any) given, together with preceding questions and answers to the extent necessary to provide context (in the column labeled "Setup"). Pertinent excerpts from the transcript are reproduced as Exhibit "B" to the Sears Declaration.

with similar legal interests to share information without having to disclose it to others. It applies in civil and criminal litigation, and even in purely transactional contexts.

Id. (citations omitted).

"Federal courts have used the term 'joint defense privilege' to refer to both the joint client privilege and the common interest rule privilege." *Securities Investor Protection Corp. v. Stratton Oakmont, Inc.*, 213 B.R. 433, 435 n. 1 (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. 1997). However, "[a] distinction should be made between these two doctrines": "The joint client doctrine applies when clients share the same lawyer; whereas the common interest or allied lawyer doctrine applies when parties with separate lawyers consult together under the guise of a common interest or defense." *Id.*

C. Limitations on "Joint Defense" Privilege

Even under the broadened community of interest doctrine, "to be eligible for continued protection, the communication must be shared with the *attorney* of the member of the community of interest. Sharing the communication directly with a member of the community may destroy the privilege." *Teleglobe*, 493 F.3d at 364 (citations omitted). "The attorney-sharing requirement helps prevent abuse by ensuring that the common-interest privilege only supplants the disclosure rule"—i.e., the rule that disclosure outside the attorney-client relationship waives privilege—
"when attorneys, not clients, decide to share information in order to coordinate legal strategies." *Id.* at 365.

"[T]he joint defense privilege is merely an extension of the attorney-client privilege

In other words, it confers no independent privileged status to documents or information." *Metro Wastewater Reclamation Dist. v. Continental Cas. Co.*, 142 F.R.D. 471, 478 (D. Colo. 1992).

The common interest doctrine is simply an exception to the rule that "[d]isclosing a communication to a third party . . . waives the privilege." *Teleglobe*, 493 F.3d at 361. "Thus, to be eligible for protection under the joint defense privilege, it must be established that the materials fall within the ambit of . . . the attorney-client privilege," to begin with. *Metro*, 142 F.R.D. at 478.

IV. ARGUMENT

A. U.S. Bank and the Noteholders Are Not Joint Clients of U.S. Bank's Counsel.

U.S. Bank's deponent and counsel have both confirmed that U.S. Bank's counsel does not represent the Noteholders. (Sears Decl., Ex. "B," 194:12-24; 195:7-12.) Accordingly, the issue presented by U.S. Bank's invocation of privilege is whether its communications with the Noteholders fall within the "common interest doctrine."

B. Because the Noteholders Were Unrepresented, No Joint Defense Privilege Applies.

As noted above, "the common interest or allied lawyer doctrine applies when parties with separate lawyers consult together under the guise of a common interest or defense." Securities Investor Protection Corp., 213 B.R. at 435 n. 1 (emphasis added). "Under the strict confines of the common-interest doctrine, the lack of representation for the remaining parties vitiates any claim to privilege." Cavallaro v. United States, 153 F. Supp. 2d 52, 61 (D. Mass. 2001).

Because the Noteholders were unrepresented, the common interest rule does not apply. Id.

Moreover, where applicable, the common interest doctrine protects only communications "with the *attorney* of the member of the community of interest." *Teleglobe*, 493 F.3d at 364 (emphasis in original). Accordingly, communications to or from either U.S. Bank or the Noteholders (rather than between their respective attorneys) would not have been covered, even if U.S. Bank had been represented.

C. The "Joint Defense" Privilege Is Inapposite Because Because No Privilege Ever Attached to Communications By or To the Noteholders.

As noted above, "the joint defense privilege is merely an extension of the attorney-client privilege"; thus it "confers no independent privileged status." *Metro*, 142 F.R.D. at 478. The common interest doctrine is simply an exception to the rule that "[d]isclosing a communication to a third party . . . waives the privilege." *Teleglobe*, 493 F.3d at 361. "Thus, to be eligible for protection under the joint defense privilege, it must be established that the materials fall within the ambit of . . . the attorney-client privilege," to begin with. *Metro*, 142 F.R.D. at 478; *see also Allendale Mut. Ins. Co. v. Bull Data Sys., Inc.*, 152 F.R.D. 132, 140 (N.D. Ill. 1993) ("If no

privilege shields a document from discovery, then the common interest doctrine is of no use to a party.").

Accordingly, even if the common interest doctrine had been applicable, here, it would at most have protected communications otherwise falling within the ambit of the privilege—i.e., those from U.S. Bank to its counsel—that were disclosed to or shared with the Noteholders' attorneys. *See United States v. BDO Seidman, LLP*, 492 F.3d 806, 815 (7th Cir. 2007) ("Although occasionally termed a privilege itself, the common interest doctrine is really an exception to the rule that no privilege attaches to communications between a client and an attorney in the presence of a third person."); *Martin*, 278 F.3d at 999-1000 (only communications "by the client" are privileged). Communications from the Noteholders to either U.S. Bank or its counsel could not have been protected by the common interest doctrine, nor could communications from U.S. Bank to the Noteholders, because they do not "fall within the ambit of ... the attorney-client privilege," in the first place.

D. Communications with the Noteholders Are Not Privileged because U.S. Bank Had No Agreement with the Noteholders to Keep them Confidential.

"Even in the context of joint defense agreements, in order for privilege to attach to a communication, the party asserting the privilege bears the burden of demonstrating that 'the communication was given in confidence and that the client *reasonably understood it to be so given*." *United States v. LeCroy*, 348 F. Supp. 2d 375, 381-381 (E.D. Pa. 2004) (citation omitted). Far from meeting this burden, U.S. Bank's deponent, Ms. Jacobs, testified that U.S. Bank has not entered into any written or oral joint defense agreement with any of the Noteholders, and indeed has not even discussed with any of the Noteholders the concept of a joint defense agreement. (Sears Decl., Ex. "B," 123:11-19, 139:22-24.) When Finisar asked whether U.S. Bank had informed any of the Noteholders that it regarded communications between them as privileged, or whether any of the Noteholders had requested that U.S. Bank afford those communications such treatment, the deponent was instructed not to answer. (*Id.* at 195:13-21; 197:2-12.)

The evidence U.S. Bank has permitted to come forward belies any claim that it reasonably understood its communications with the Noteholders were given in confidence, and U.S. Bank has improperly frustrated Finisar's ability to gather additional evidence. Accordingly, even if the other conditions for invoking the common interest doctrine had been met, still that doctrine could not justify U.S. Bank's failures of production.

E. U.S. Bank's Authority Is Inapposite.

Although U.S. Bank, as the proponent of privilege, bore the burden of "establish[ing] all the elements," *Martin*, 278 F.3d at 999-1000, it cited no authority to support its claim that communications to and from unrepresented third parties were privileged until after Finisar presented it with the contrary authorities cited above. Even then, it offered no authority other than an inapposite and unsound state court disposition, *U.S. Bank National Association v. U.S. Timberlands Klamath Falls*, *L.L.C.*, 2005 WL 2037353 (Del. Ch. Aug. 16, 2005).

According to *U.S. Timberlands*, "otherwise privileged communications between the Trustee, its counsel, and the Noteholders" fall within the scope of the common interest doctrine. *U.S. Timberlands*, 2005 WL 2037353, at *2. That holding is inapposite, on its face, because the communications U.S. Bank seeks to protect in *this* Action are not "otherwise privileged." *See ante*, p. 6, § IV.C.

Moreover, in *U.S. Timberlands*, "the noteholders were required to agree that they would maintain the confidentiality of those communications, and were required to state that they did not have any connections to the defendants." *U.S. Timberlands*, 2005 WL 2037353, at *1. Here, by contrast, U.S. Bank's designee has testified (so far as she was permitted) that no such conditions were imposed. *See ante*, p. 7, § IV.D.

In any event, the state court deciding *U.S. Timberlands* based its ruling on Delaware Rule of Evidence 502(b), which has no federal counterpart; and because the Court bases its exercise of subject matter jurisdiction over *this* Action on a finding that a federal question is presented, federal rather than state law governs U.S. Bank's invocation of privilege. *See* Fed. R. Evid. 501. Further, *U.S. Timberlands* misconstrued its own rule. By its express terms, that rule expressly limits the common interest doctrine to communications "by [the client] or his representative or his

| 1 | lawyer to a lawyer representing another in a matter of common interest." U.S. | | | | | | |
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| 2 | Timberlands, 2005 WL 2037353, at *1 n. 7 (emphasis added). On its face, the rule does not reach | | | | | | |
| 3 | communications made by or to the (unrepresented) Noteholders, as observed by Teleglobe, 493 | | | | | | |
| 4 | F.3d at 364 (citing Del. R. Evid. 502(b) in support of the proposition that "to be eligible for | | | | | | |
| 5 | continued protection, the communication must be shared with the attorney of the member of the | | | | | | |
| 6 | community of interest. Sharing the communication directly with a member of the community | | | | | | |
| 7 | may destroy the privilege."). | | | | | | |
| 8 | U.S. Bank has not discharged (and cannot discharge) its burden to establish that privilege | | | | | | |
| 9 | applies. | | | | | | |
| 10 | V. CONCLUSION | | | | | | |
| 11 | For all of the foregoing reasons, Finisar's Motion to Compel should be granted, U.S. Bank | | | | | | |
| 12 | should be compelled to produce additional documents and deposition testimony, and Finisar | | | | | | |
| 13 | should be given an additional seven hours to conclude the deposition of Ms. Jacobs. | | | | | | |
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SCHEDULE "A": TABLE OF QUESTIONS NOT ANSWERED BY DIANA JACOBS

| Ref. No. | Setup | Question | Objection | Response |
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| 1 | Q: Were you | Q: And what was | [U.S. Bank:] I'm | Q: And are you |
| | involved in any | discussed | going to | going to follow |
| | form of communication | during that call? | instruct the witness not to | Counsel's instruction and |
| | to the holders | (122:17.) | disclose | not provide the |
| | regarding the | (122.17.) | privileged | full information |
| | outcome of that | | information. | that I've |
| | [ENE]? | | We would | sought? |
| | A: There was a | | assert that the | A: Yes. |
| | call with | | communication | (124:18-21.) |
| | holders | | s are protected | |
| | subsequent to discuss what | | by the attorney/client | |
| | happened. | | privilege. She | |
| | (116:4-7.) | | can describe | |
| | | | them in a level | |
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| | | | broadly what was discussed. | |
| | | | (122:18-23.) | |
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| | | | [U.S. Bank:] There | |
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| 1 | 2 | Q: U.S. Bank | Q: And what was | [U.S. Bank]: | A: Generally, we |
| 2 | | participated in | discussed | Again let me | discussed the |
| _ | | seven | during that call. | caution the | status of the |
| 3 | | conference | (129:20.) | witness to | litigation and |
| 4 | | calls with | | describe the | strategy. |
| 4 | | various holders, | | call in | Q: Is that all |
| 5 | | right? | | generalities | you're going to |
| | | A: Yes. | | without | disclose to me |
| 6 | | (125:24-126:1.) | | compromising the | regarding what was discussed |
| 7 | | | | attorney/client | during that |
| ´ | | | | privilege. | call? |
| 8 | | | | (129:21-23.) | A: Yes. ¹ |
| | | | | (123.21 23.) | (129:24-130:3.) |
| 9 | 3 | Q: Let's turn next | Q: And what was | [U.S. Bank]: | A: The topic in |
| 10 | | to the | discussed | Again I'll | general terms |
| | | November 13, | during that | caution the | was the status |
| 11 | | 2007, call. | call? | witness not to | of the litigation |
| 12 | | (130:4.) | (130:11.) | disclose the | and strategy. |
| 12 | | | | attorney/client | (130:16-17.) |
| 13 | | | | privilege or | 0 17711 |
| | | | | disclose | Q: Will you tell |
| 14 | | | | information that would | me any more about the status |
| 15 | | | | violate the | or excuse me |
| | | | | privilege, but to | what was |
| 16 | | | | describe the | discussed |
| 17 | | | | topic in general | during those |
| 1/ | | | | terms. | calls? |
| 18 | | | | (130:12-15.) | A: No. |
| | | | | | (130:22-24.) |
| 19 | 4 | Q: Let's go to the | Q: And what was | [U.S. Bank]: My | A: Litigation |
| 20 | | December 11, | discussed | instruction | update and |
| _ | | 2007 call. | during that | remains the | strategy. |
| 21 | | (130:25.) | call? | same. | Q: Will you tell |
| 22 | | | (131:5.) | (131:6-7.) | me any more |
| 22 | | | | | about that call? A: No. |
| 23 | | | | | (131:8-11.) |
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¹ Prior to this exchange, counsel for Finisar had requested and received "agreement of counsel that as we move forward, if you make other instructions in the future, that I need not ask" whether the witness would "follow Counsel's instruction and not provide the full information that I've sought" "each time, but instead the witness will be deemed to be following your instructions." (124:18-125:2.)

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| 1 | 5 | Q: Let's turn to the | Q: What was | [U.S. Bank]: I | A: Strategy and |
| 2 | | January 14th, | discussed | reiterate my | the lit update |
| 3 | | 2008, call. (131:12.) | during that call? | objection and instruction. | on the litigation. |
| 3 | | (131.12.) | (131:12.) | (131:16-17.) | Q: Can you tell me |
| 4 | | | () | () | any more about |
| 5 | | | | | that call? |
| | | | | | A: No. (131:18-21.) |
| 6 | 6 | Q: Let's go to | Q: What was | [U.S. Bank]: My | A: Aside from the |
| 7 | | January 30, | discussed? | objection and | [ENE] that we |
| 8 | | 2008. Who are | (131:25.) | reiteration | discussed, it |
| | | the parties to that call? | | and instruction are reiterated, | was strategy and status of |
| 9 | | (131:22-23.) | | rather. | the litigation. |
| 10 | | | | (132:1-2.) | Q: Will you tell |
| 11 | | | | | me any more about what was |
| | | | | | discussed |
| 12 | | | | | during that |
| 13 | | | | | call? |
| 1.4 | | | | | A: No. (132:3-7.) |
| 14 | 7 | Q: Let's go to | Q: What was | [U.S. Bank]: I | A: Update on the |
| 15 | | February 19th, | discussed? | reiterate my | status of the |
| 16 | | 2008. Who are | (132:11.) | objection and | litigation and |
| 17 | | the parties to that call? | | instruction. (132:12-13.) | strategy. Q: Will you tell |
| 1 / | | (132:8-9.) | | (102.12.10.) | me any more |
| 18 | | | | | about what was |
| 19 | | | | | discussed? A: No. |
| 20 | | | | | (132:14-18.) |
| 20 | 8 | Q: That brings us | Q: What was | [U.S. Bank]: I | A: Strategy and |
| 21 | | to the March 11, 2008, call. | discussed? (132:22.) | reiterate my | update on the status of the |
| 22 | | (132:19.) | (132.22.) | objection and instruction. | litigation. |
| | | | | (132:23-24.) | Q: Will you tell |
| 23 | | | | | me any more |
| 24 | | | | | about what was discussed? |
| 25 | | | | | A: No. |
| | | | | | (132:25-133:4.) |
| 26 | | | | | |

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| 9 | | Q: If any of the | [U.S. Bank]: I | A: No. |
| | | holders have | object to the | (138:9.) |
| | | requested U.S. | extent the | |
| | | Bank to | question calls | |
| | | accelerate, why | for | |
| | | did U.S. Bank | attorney/client | |
| | | not accelerate | privileged | |
| | | in response to a | information, | |
| | | request by any holders? | and instruct the | |
| | | | witness not to answer in a | |
| | | (138:1-3.) | | |
| | | | way that would compromise the | |
| | | | attorney/client | |
| | | | privilege. [¶] | |
| | | | Can you | |
| | | | answer? | |
| | | | (138:4-8.) | |
| 10 | | Q: Has U.S. Bank | [U.S. Bank]: I | A: I think I can' |
| | | informed the | object to the | answer. |
| | | holders that | extent that the | (139:8-9.). |
| | | U.S. Bank | question calls | |
| | | believes that | for | Q: And is that |
| | | the notes could | attorney/client | because of |
| | | be accelerated? | privileged | privilege? |
| | | (138:16-17.) | information. | A: Yes. |
| | | | [¶] I instruct | (139:14-15.) |
| | | | you not to answer to the | |
| | | | extent that it | |
| | | | would | |
| | | | compromise the | |
| | | | privilege. | |
| | | | Answer if you | |
| | | | can do | |
| | | | answer if you | |
| | | | may without | |
| | | | doing so. | |
| | | | (138:18-22.) | |

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| 1 | Ref. No. | Setup | Question | Objection | Response |
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| 1 | 11 | Q: Have you told | | | |
| 2 | | me everything | | | |
| 3 | | about the calls with the | | | |
| 5 | | holders or | | | |
| 4 | | purported | | | |
| _ | | holders that | | | |
| 5 | | you're willing | | | |
| 6 | | to disclose to | | | |
| _ | | me today? | | | |
| 7 | | A: Yes | | | |
| 8 | | Q: And you have | | | |
| | | more information, | | | |
| 9 | | but you're not | | | |
| 10 | | disclosing it | | | |
| | | because of the | | | |
| 11 | | claimed | | | |
| 12 | | privilege; is | | | |
| 12 | | that right? | | | |
| 13 | | A: That's right. (141:11-17.) | | | |
| 14 | 12 | Q: Also, just | Q: Did any of | [U.S. Bank]: I'm | A: I'm trying to go |
| | | making sure | them explain | going to | through all the |
| 15 | | that we're clear | why they were | instruct you not | details of the |
| 16 | | on the subject, | not demanding | to answer to the | conversation. I |
| 10 | | when I asked | that U.S. Bank | extent that the | think I can't |
| 17 | | you earlier whether any of | accelerate? (149:21-22.) | answer would require you to | answer. (150:2-3.) |
| 18 | | these holders | (149.21-22.) | divulge | (130.2-3.) |
| 10 | | you had | | attorney/client | |
| 19 | | identified had | | privileged | |
| 20 | | ever requested | | information. | |
| 20 | | acceleration, | | Answer if you | |
| 21 | | did they in fact | | can without | |
| 22 | | make a demand any of them | | doing so. (149:23-150:1.) | |
| 22 | | make a demand | | (179.43-130.1.) | |
| 23 | | upon U.S. Bank | | | |
| 24 | | to accelerate | | | |
| 24 | | under the | | | |
| 25 | | notes? | | | |
| 26 | | (149:6-10.) | | | |
| 26 | | A: No. | | | |
| 27 | | A: No. (149:20.) | | | |
| | <u> </u> | (117.20.) | | 1 | |

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| 1 | 13 | | Q: Have any of the | [U.S. Bank]: | A: Yeah, I guess |
| 2 | | | holders | Object to the | it's I'll have |
| | | | indicated to | extent it calls | to say I can't |
| 3 | | | U.S. Bank that | for the | answer that. |
| | | | they've been | conclusion of | (180:13-14.) |
| 4 | | | harmed? | attorney/client | |
| 5 | | | (180:7-8.) | information. | |
| | | | | [¶] Answer if | |
| 6 | | | | you're able | |
| _ | | | | without | |
| 7 | | | | compromising | |
| 8 | | | | the privilege. | |
| 8 | | | | (180:9-12.) | |
| 9 | 14 | Q: So you're not | Q: What have they | [U.S. Bank]: Let | A: I don't think I |
| | | able to provide | said? | me make the | can say more |
| 10 | | me any | (180:23.) | same objection. | than that. |
| 11 | | information in | | Past answering | (181:2-3.) |
| 11 | | terms of how | | that on a "yes" | |
| 12 | | the holders may | | or "no," if you | |
| | | have been | | can answer | |
| 13 | | harmed as a result of | | without disclosing | |
| 14 | | Finisar's not | | privileged | |
| 14 | | making certain | | information, do | |
| 15 | | SEC filings | | SO. | |
| | | until December | | (180:24-181:1.) | |
| 16 | 15 | 4, 2007? | Q: And tell me as | [U.S. Bank]: Let | A: Yeah, I can't |
| 17 | | A: Yeah. I can | precise as you | me instruct you | answer any |
| 1/ | | just say they | can what each | not to answer if | further than |
| 18 | | have not been | [noteholder | it would | what I've just |
| | | happy that they | said in] that | disclose | said. |
| 19 | | have been | regard. | privileged | (181:20-21.) |
| 20 | | without | (181:15-17.) | information. | |
| 20 | | financial | | (181:18-19.) | |
| 21 | | information. | | | |
| | | Q: Have any of | | | |
| 22 | | them told you | | | |
| 22 | | that? | | | |
| 23 | | A: They have | | | |
| 24 | | expressed that, | | | |
| | | yeah. | | | |
| 25 | | (180:15-22.) | | | |

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| 1 | 16 | | Q: In any | [U.S. Bank]: I'll | A: I can't answer |
| 2 | | | communication | object on the | that. |
| | | | s with the | basis of the | Q: At all? |
| 3 | | | holders, have | attorney/client | A: At all. |
| 4 | | | they ever raised | privilege. [¶] | (182:22-24.) |
| | | | the subject with U.S. Bank of | You may answer if you | |
| 5 | | | wanting Finisar | can do so that | |
| | | | to make some | without | |
| 6 | | | financial | compromising | |
| 7 | | | payment to | the privilege. | |
| | | | them or other | (182:18-21.) | |
| 8 | | | financial | | |
| 9 | | | compensation | | |
| | | | as a result of | | |
| 10 | | | any delay of | | |
| | | | making SEC | | |
| 11 | | | filings? | | |
| 12 | 1.77 | | (182:14-17.) | III C D 11 I 1 | A T 1 2, ,1 1 1 T |
| | 17 | | Q: When there's three Federal | [U.S. Bank]: I also | A: I don't think I |
| 13 | | | District Court | object to the extent it calls | can answer without |
| 14 | | | decisions that | for | compromising |
| 14 | | | have been | attorney/client | the privilege. |
| 15 | | | issued thus far, | privileged | (193:18-19.) |
| 1.0 | | | indicating that | communication | , |
| 16 | | | the position | . [¶] If you can | |
| 17 | | | that U.S. Bank | answer without | |
| | | | has been | compromising | |
| 18 | | | advocating is | the privilege, | |
| 19 | | | erroneous, is | you can do so. | |
| 19 | | | there something | (193:13-17.) | |
| 20 | | | that U.S. Bank feels that it | | |
| | | | needs to meet | | |
| 21 | | | its fiduciary | | |
| 22 | | | duties to its | | |
| | | | holders relative | | |
| 23 | | | to Finisar to | | |
| 24 | | | discontinue the | | |
| 24 | | | litigation? | | |
| 25 | | | (193:6-12.) | | |

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| , | Ref. No. | Setup | Question | Objection | Response |
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| 1 | 18 | | Q: Have any of the | [U.S. Bank]: Let | A: I guess I can't |
| 2 | | | holders asked | me let me | answer that. |
| _ | | | U.S. Bank to | object on the | Q: At all? |
| 3 | | | continue with | privilege | A: I think |
| | | | the litigation? | ground. [¶] | without |
| 4 | | | (193:20-21.) | And instruct | violating the |
| 5 | | | | you not to | privilege, I |
| ۱ | | | | answer in such | think I can't |
| 6 | | | | a way as would | answer that. |
| | | | | compromise the | (194:2-6.) |
| 7 | | | | privilege. You | |
| | | | | may answer if | |
| 8 | | | | you can do so | |
| 9 | | | | without | |
| - | | | | compromising. | |
| 10 | | | | (193:22-194:1.) | |
| ,, | 19 | | Q: In any of the | [U.S. Bank]: I | (None.) |
| 11 | | | discussions | think that | |
| 12 | | | with any of the | violated the | |
| | | | holders | attorney/client | |
| 13 | | | reported | privilege to be | |
| | | | holders, were | talking about | |
| 14 | | | the holders told | the | |
| 15 | | | that the discussions | attorney/client | |
| | | | | privilege, what | |
| 16 | | | were going to be treated as | the implications are. I'll object | |
| | | | attorney/client | as privilege | |
| 17 | | | privileged? | grounds and | |
| 18 | | | (195:13-15.) | instruct her not | |
| 10 | | | (175.15 15.) | to answer. | |
| 19 | | | | (195:18-21.) | |
| . | 20 | | Q: Have any of the | [U.S. Bank]: Same | (None.) |
| 20 | | | holders told | objection. | |
| 21 | | | you or any | (197:12.) | |
| | | | other | , | |
| 22 | | | representative | | |
| _ | | | of U.S. Bank | | |
| 23 | | | that they | | |
| 24 | | | wished to have | | |
| ∠ + | | | the | | |
| 25 | | | communication | | |
| | | | s treated as | | |
| 26 | | | privileged? | | |
| 27 | | | (197:2-4.) | | |
| 27 | | | (197.2-4.) | | |

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| | Ref. No. | Setup | Question | Objection | Response |
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| 1 | 21 | Q: Have any of the | Q: [What has a | [U.S. Bank]: I | A: Yeah, I can't |
| 2 | | holders | noteholder | would instruct | I mean, I can |
| | | purported | expressed] with | you not to | just answer that |
| 3 | | holders ever | that regard? | answer unless | there's general |
| 4 | | expressed any concern about | (199:22-23.) | you can answer without | concern about Finisar's |
| | | the financial | | compromising | financial health. |
| 5 | | condition of | | the | (200:2-4.) |
| 6 | | Finisar? | | attorney/client | |
| , | | (199:9-10.) | | privilege. | |
| 7 | 22 | A: Yes. | Q: What about | (199:24-200:1.) [U.S. Bank]: Same | A: that's all I |
| 8 | <i></i> | (199:17.) | [Finisar's] | objection. | can say. |
| 9 | | , | financial health | (200:8.) | (200:9.) |
| | | | is the concern? | | |
| 10 | 22 | | (200:5-6.) | III C D 11 C | A T 24 |
| 11 | 23 | | Q: Do you know what the basis | [U.S. Bank]: Same objection. | A: I can't answer. (200:13.) |
| | | | is for the | (200:12.) | (200.13.) |
| 12 | | | concern? | , | Q: Because of |
| 13 | | | (200:10-11.) | | client |
| 14 | | | | | privilege? A: Yes. |
| 14 | | | | | (200:16-17.) |
| 15 | 24 | | Q: And was U.S. | [U.S. Bank]: Let | A: Yeah, I can't |
| 16 | | | Bank taking the | me instruct you | without |
| | | | position that it | not to answer if | compromising |
| 17 | | | need not return the collateral | it compromises privilege. | privilege. (201:10-11.) |
| 18 | | | because Finisar | Answer if you | (201.10 11.) |
| 10 | | | was in a | can without | |
| 19 | | | continuing state | doing so. | |
| 20 | | | of default? (201:4-6.) | (201:7-9.) | |
| 21 | 25 | Q: But U.S. Bank | Q: Is that because | [U.S. Bank]: | A: I can't answer |
| | - | did return the | U.S. Bank | Object on the | that. |
| 22 | | collateral, | concluded that | privilege. | (202:17.) |
| 23 | | right? | Finisar was not | Answer if you | |
| | | A: Yes, we did. (202:11-12.) | in a state of continuing | can. (202:15-16.) | |
| 24 | | (202.11 12.) | default? | (202.10.) | |
| 25 | | | (202:13.) | | |

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| 64 | 08/02/07 | Beneficial Holder | | | Draft letter re 51/4% Notes | AC, WP | |
| 65 | 08/02/07 | Beneficial Holder | | | Draft letter re 51/4% Notes | AC, WP | |
| 76 | 08/14/07 | Financial Advisor | Jacobs | | Fax Cover Page - Redact Sender Info – USB FIN 444 | WP | USB FIN 000444 |
| 123 | 12/10/07 | Waltz | Noteholders | Fisco, Jacobs, Wilkinson | Email re scheduling conference call | AC, WP | |
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| 149 | 01/24/08 | Noteholder | Jacobs | | Noteholder Verification Form – Redact Noteholder Identity – USB FIN 1032 | AC, WP | USB FIN 001032 |
| 150 | 01/24/08 | Noteholder | Jacobs | | Noteholder Verification Form – Redact Noteholder Identity - USB FIN 1071 | AC, WP | USB FIN 001071 |
| 151 | 01/24/08 | Noteholder | Jacobs | | Noteholder Verification Form – Redact Noteholder Identity – USB FIN 2628 | AC, WP | USB FIN 002628 |
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